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Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the patent application as
set forth below.

In the Claims

Please add the following new claims:

8. (New) A method according to claim 1, further including the
step of:

simulating the printing results obtained using the
lithographic printing plate by generating a printing proof.

9. (New) A method according to claim 8, wherein the simulating
step is performed without the use of a Direct Digital Proofing
(DDP) technique.

10. (New) A method according to claim 8, wherein the simulation
step is performed using a low resolution printing system.